HOUSE BILL 774 By Briley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3 and Title 54, relative to transportation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 23, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

Section 4-3-2306.

- (a) This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Transportation Information Planning Act of 2001".
 - (b) The general assembly finds and declares that:
 - (1) Planning of Tennessee's transportation system is vital to ensuring that Tennessee's transportation needs are met now and in the future;
 - (2) The general assembly and the public's ability to be informed and involved in the planning and implementation of Tennessee's transportation system will add value to ensuring a transportation system that meets the needs of Tennessee's citizens.

- (3) With the emergence of new information technology, access to planning documentation can and should be made more readily available to the public.
- (c) In order to facilitate the dissemination of information to the citizens of Tennessee, the department of transportation shall post the most current copies of the following documents available on its Internet web site:
 - (1) All advance planning reports (APR) or feasibility studies;
 - (2) Copies of all annual transportation improvement program(TIP) reports prepared by each metropolitan planning organization;
 - (3) A copy of the statewide transportation improvement program(STIP) report;
 - (4) A copy of the statewide transportation plan required pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-2303(13); and
 - (5) Any other planning information that will aid the public in becoming informed and involved in the transportation planning process.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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